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Merit Scholars Lead State

Twenty-one Shaker Heights High School seniors were named National Merit Semi-finalists early this month, giving Shaker the largest number in Ohio. Shaker has led the state more times than any other school since the program's inception 25 years ago. The students earned composite PSAT scores of 192 or above to qualify for the honor, ranking in the top one-half percent of those who took the test.

Shaker's semi-finalists are: Edward Antoine, Gregory Bass, Daniel Berick, Elizabeth Berkeley, John Biek, Tom Chapman, Stephanie Creed, Leslie Froelich, Robert Gale, David Goldman, Carl Groppe, Adina Kelman, David Kruse, Susan Milde, Miriam Pickus, Gregory Poe, Robin Rustad, Michael Schwartz (now attending college), Eric Shaffer, Robert Towns, and Ann Walton.

To become finalists, semi-finalists must do well on the SAT, maintain a good school record, and receive a school recommendation. Finalists are eligible for college scholarships from various educational institutions, corporations, or the National Merit Scholarship Corporation itself. The list of National Achievement Semi-finalists was not yet available at the deadline for this issue. A list of National Merit Commended students is also forthcoming.

Art Gallery to Open

Shaker Heights High School's newest renovation is the Ely Gallery, a stylishly decorated art exhibition area. The gallery is located on the first floor, overlooking the courtyard.

The story of this special room covers a span of more than twenty years. It was set aside as an art gallery after the death of one of Shaker's finest teachers, Mabel Ely. More recently, until the 1976-1977 school year, the room remained bare. At that time, Peter Selover, who is now a senior, and his brother, Mark, abandoned their radio station project and began finishing the gallery. The project developed slowly until the end of the 1978 school year when the senior class donated $1,100 and dedicated the gallery to Francy Gordon, Nick Long, and Linda Greenbaum, members of their class who had passed away during the year. With an additional $200 given by the Selover brothers, the work began at full speed.

The Ely Gallery is now almost finished. A security system and alarm are presently being installed. When completed, the gallery will hold fourteen works of art which will be changed every three weeks, guaranteeing a constant flow and variety of art forms. It is hoped that it will eventually become an international art gallery, open to people around the country and that it will bring national fame to Shaker.

The Gallery will be completed within a month. Peter Selover, who is still the major force behind the project, welcomes both students and faculty to give their opinions on the gallery. His Advisory Group is H-23, for those who wish to reach him.

New Administrator Assumes Duties

The beginning of the 1979-1980 school year brought some changes to the administration at Shaker. Charles A. Zimmerman was promoted to the position of principal, resulting in an opening for associate principal. The board named James Morefield, a graduate of Indiana State University, and a former administrator in the Cleveland school system.

Mr. Morefield's duties as associate principal are to assist the principal in the administration of the school and to help in the supervision of the day-to-day operation of the building. Some of these procedures include supervising classroom needs, building security, and scheduling.

Mr. James Morefield

The new associate principal feels very positive about working in the Shaker school system, and he commented on the better communication in a smaller school system. He feels it is very interesting and refreshing to be in a smaller system after a very large one. He also stated that one of his main objectives is to have the students work to their capacity and become productive citizens in the community. He thinks the students should also learn to be responsible for their educational needs.

Mr. Morefield received his Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Indiana State, and went on to teach at East Tech in 1957. He taught Industrial Arts and Physical Education. He was an administrator at Kennedy for eight years, and at South High for four years. Mr. Morefield lives in the Shaker community and has been associated with the Shaker schools. His daughter, Susan, graduated from Shaker High last year. Some of his interests are swimming, golf, bridge, and reading.

Calendar of Events

September	24-29	Excel Week
October	1	Yom Kipper, no school
	5	Red and White Carnation Sale
	9	L.E.L. Student Council Conference
	12	N.E.O.T.A. Day, no school for students
	15	Open House 7:30 p.m.
	16-31	DECA Candy Sale
	19	Student Council Carnival

Opinion

Improving Our Shaker Schools

by Blake Martin

A lot of work was done this past summer on playgrounds in Shaker. The community has benefited in several ways through the hard work of a few. In seeing the beauty and safety features of a grass and woodchip foundation, some might question the decision of the school board to change the paved playgrounds of Onaway, Moreland, and other elementary schools. The benefits of aesthetics and improved safety outweigh the negative aspects of cost and upkeep.

Safety is a chief consideration in looking at any playground. Many of the old playgrounds could be considered unsafe with the asphalt below and the hard, slippery steel jungle gyms above. The new playgrounds are safer in that steel has been replaced in general with wood and the ground surface is now either woodchips or grass. The one bad aspect of these wood sculptures is the sharp edges and corners that are prevalent. Punctures and bruises may result from a youngster's collison with these sharp outcroppings.

The true test of whether the playgrounds were a good idea is time. Several years ago many of the very old playgrounds were paved over because of lack of upkeep. The new playgrounds will be a success only if Shaker officials follow through with their commitment by providing needed maintenance. The playgrounds must not be allowed to deteriorate into unsightly places or one of their main values, beauty, will be lost.

Stalwarts of education may argue that the money spent on the playgrounds could have been used to improve educational systems in the school. Yet, the increased use of the playgrounds have had so far is at least worth the money. We must not overlook the fact that playing, for children, is also a way of learning. It teaches, among other things, valuable lessons in relating to others. Lessons learned through play can be used throughout life.

Letter to the Editor

Sirs,

Last year, the school administration determined that Shaker students should use the vending machines only during the lunch periods. The administration made the decision to limit the use of the vending machines because many teachers were opposed to students eating in class, littering the halls, and the kind of food sold in the machines. It is my contention that good citizenship on the part of the Shaker students comes from increased personal responsibilities rather than a constriction of privileges. The policy of controling the vending machines punishes the mature, responsible students who might not have lunch periods scheduled. These students are denied access to the vending machines because of a few students who have violated school rules. Most of these students who break the rules still have access to the machines because they have lunch periods scheduled. Therefore, I believe this rule of regulating the use of the vending machines is placing an undue hardship on the mature and responsible students of this school. I strongly suggest that the vending machines be made available again for these students.

Yours,

Karen Thornton

Opinion

Hypocritical Dress Code

by Michael Scharf

I'd like to take this opportunity to bring to the attention of Shaker's student body the hypocrisy that exists within the administration concerning the dress code.

In accordance with state law, Shaker has only a suggested dress code and the only official requirement is that we dress in appropriate manner. A quick look at the SHHS calendar will show that "appropriate" is defined as clothing of generally accepted style, that will not create unusual safety hazards, and are not a distraction of the educational process. Granted, that leaves a certain amount of room for interpretation, but it seems that this time the administration has over-stepped authority. One would suspect that since it is only a suggested dress code, only suggested punishments could be given to violators. At Shaker that isn't the case.

The problems was brougt to my attention last spring when the temperature was between eighty and ninety degrees and the humidity was also intolerable. At that time, many students took the logical step and began wearing shorts to school. Soon after, teachers took the illogical step and began to enforce the dress code. A large number of students received unexcused absences and missed valuable reviews for finals because the teachers recommended that they go home and change. What happened when students didn't comply? Some teachers recommended suspension and expulsions.

Two grievances come to mind. First, how do shorts violate the code in any way?

Some teachers would reply that they felt that shorts were a distraction to the educational process. However, careful examination shows that the exact opposite is true. Research studies have proven that extreme temperatures can have a terribly negative attitude on the students ability to work and concentrate. Since shorts can lessen the amount of heat the students are exposed to, they actually add to, not subtract from the students' academic functions. My second complaint is that this new trend toward stricter rules and enforcements is a violation of the student's rights which our predecessors fought hard to attain in the sixties. During that time, the student dress code was completely abolished. Over the last five years the administration has consistently put more stringent restrictions on the student body, and the comprehensive student rights we once enjoyed have since gone the way of the buffalo.

When there is something wrong with our school policies, it is our responsiblity as concerned students to do something about it. There is a discrepancy between written school policy and rules presently being imposed. Therefore, I suggest that we accept our responsibility and take immediate action to right wrongs committed against us.

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Opinion

Zimmerman is the Right Man

by Marc Dann

C.A. Zimmerman's elevation to the position of principal of Shaker Heights High School represents a huge step forward toward the smooth operation of Shaker Heights High School. Mr. Zimmerman's twelve-year experience within the high school insures continuity which has been lacking at Shaker because of the revolving door of the principal's office. Mr. Zimmerman is the fourth head of the high school in the last ten years.

More important than continuity is the unique ability to bring all members of Shaker's divided community together which was demonstrated by Mr. Zimmerman in his role as assistant principal. Division has become a Shaker tradition in the past several years, and a strong, cohesive force has been lacking in the principal's office. Divisions of several kinds in and around the high school are problems of the highest priority with which Mr. Zimmerman is faced as he begins his tenure as principal. The new principal has begun in his inimitable diplomatic style to bring these factions together; the benefits of his accomplishments in this area over the summer have already become apparent in the smooth start of the school year and harmony among the student, faculty, and administrative leaders at Shaker.

Mr. Zimmerman brings to the principal's office the enthusiasm that has marked his career at Shaker. He has been a staunch supporter of all forms of student activity and could always be counted on as an active participant whenever necessary. The new principal began to transfer his enthusiasm to the student body and faculty right from the first day of school. In the unit meetings held the first day of school, Mr. Zimmerman displayed genuine excitement over the possibilities of Shaker's displaying its excellence in all fields. He has demonstrated a firm belief in the importance of extra-curricular activities and student involvement in the making of school policy as part of the over-all educational process.

The job of seeking and applying in-put from all members of the school community is essential to Mr. Zimmerman's success. The new principal is challenged with the job of maintaining an active leadership role, while satisfying those he is leading by using their input.

In his first two months, Mr. Zimmerman has distinguished himself by constructively using in-put from the school community. He has had meetings, both formal and informal, with student leaders as well as faculty and administrative leaders. He has made important strides toward utilizing ideas conceived in such meetings. Mr. Zimmerman has not yet had the opportunity to prove that he is capable of providing leadership. The excellent start of this school year has been the result of Mr. Zimmerman's administrative ability; his real test will come with the problem of solving disputes within Shaker's community. If he is able to provide strong leadership in times of trouble, which I think is probable, then the future of Shaker Heights High School looks bright with C.A. Zimmerman as principal.

PUSH Stages Excel Week

This past week has been PUSH FOR EXCELLENCE week, the first in Shaker's history. Throughout the week PUSH has sponsored lectures and movies on such topics as tutoring, voter registration, and community volunteer work, in the social room, during periods 4,5,6, and 8. PUSH is also holding an activity fair in the social room today. Representatives from various groups and activities at Shaker will be there to tell anyone interested about their activities.

Mr. Addison, the director of PUSH, said that one of PUSH's targets is, "to play a role in helping the school maintain its standard of excellence." He went on to say, "We would like to see that every student excells academically." Another one of PUSH's goals is to establish the fact that Shaker Heights High School has many opportunities that students can take advantage of, such as: sports, drama, career education, and peer counseling.

In conclusion, participating in the PUSH FOR EXCELLENCE program is a unique opportunity for each student to develop his creative and academic abilities.

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New Staff Members Arrive at Shaker

by Heather Dean and Adam Goldberg

As one goes through a lifetime, one encounters people with new and different backgrounds. Well, here at Shaker Heights High School we have several new faculty members with just that. The Shakerite staff has compiled facts on these alien staff members to give you an idea of their backgrounds.

Mrs. June Antoine is the new director of the Alternative School. From Ohio State she received a B.A. in liberal arts and sciences. She also earned an M.A. in education from Western Reserve. Mrs. Antoine has also attended the University of Michigan and John Carroll. She was a counselor at Collinwood High School in Cleveland and worked at yet another Alternative School in Cleveland as a senior counselor. Mrs. Antoine considers the Alternative School's philosophy as being more individualized, and sensitive to a student's particular needs. "I like the team approach that our school has. I think we have a well disciplined school."

Mrs. Nancy Lerner instructs English. She attended Wellesley and Case Western Reserve University. She earned a B.A. in Humanities, and an M.A. and Ph.D. in English. Mrs. Lerner enjoys teaching Shaker pupils, "I find high school students are more willing to come in contact with the class than most college students.

Mrs. Paula Rawllins is also a new English teacher. Her previous experience includes teaching in Cincinnati and at Beachwood High. She also has taught journalism. She says that Shaker is very different from the schools she has taught in and those differences are all good.

James Thornton is the new drama teacher. Mr. Thornton, a graduate of Bowling Green and Kent, not only teaches drama but also will direct plays. He is enthusiastic about the drama program and is looking forward to a good year. He has directed professionally in Chicago and Cincinnati and thinks the program will do well.

Don Gacy is the new health teacher and varsity basketball coach. Coming from Cathedral Latin with a five year record, the team won the State Championship and two time runners-up. He played college basketball at John Carroll and was their third leading scorer which led to his election to their Hall of Fame. He is impressed with the academic atmosphere at Shaker and seems to like it.

Mr. Mark Hoskins is a new Biology and BSCS teacher. He has taught physical science in Ashtabula and in East Cleveland. He is a graduate of Hiram College.

Coming from Woodbury are; Ms. Julie Worley, English; Mrs. Kay Hoynes, French; and Mr. Larry Gold, Typing. Back at Shaker is Ms. Dorothy Lungmiss, American History teacher. And new to the Foods department is Ms. Susan Landy.

The Shakerite staff wishes to extend a warm welcome to the new faculty members here at Shaker.

Shaker Square Celebrates Birthday

by Andy Pollis and Julia Tangeman

In 1929, a shopping center bordering Cleveland and Shaker Heights was born. Fifty years later, Shaker Square, now a legend, is celebrating its golden anniversary. A group called the Friends of Shaker Square, Inc. is sponsoring the many festivities.

For the car buffs of the crowd, there will be an antique car show all around the Square on Saturday, September 29 from 10 to 3. There will be plenty of balloons, a puppet show, and (for those of you who are of age) beer.

If your interests run in the direction of science, Dr. Johanson, the anthropologist who discovered "Lucy" will speak in the Colony Theatre where he will also present a slideshow. Admission is $1.50 for adults and $1.00 for students. The event will take place Saturday, October 6 at 7:30 PM.

If art is in your heart, you'll want to see the tent art show provided by the Cleveland Institute of Art Alumni Association, October 11 through 13 from 11 to 10 daily.

For joggers, the 6.2-mile Kiely Cronin Marathon is Sunday, October 28. The marathon starts at 9 AM on the Square and anyone who wants may participate.

The Friends of Shaker Square are doing their best to keep Shaker Square vital and prosperous, so do your part. Come celebrate and at the same time, support a legend.

Terrific Trivia

by Craig Beresford and Matt Wall

1. On Gilligan's Island, what was the Professor's real name?
2. What does the B.J. in B.J. Hunnicutt stand for?
3. Where was Snoopy born and raised?
4. Who was Russell Rupp?
5. What was the name of Tonto's horse?
6. What does the O.J. stand for in the name of famous airport-running back O.J. Simpson?
7. Who was Barth Gimble?
8. How many American ships carry or have carried the name ENTERPRISE?
9. Which star is nearest the Earth?
10. What's the Fosbury Flop?
11. What were the names of the mischievous Katzenjammer kids?
12. In "Taxi", what is the name of the cab company?
13. Who was Captain Christopher Pike?
14. Who is Karol Wotja?
15. Who are Johnnie Caravelli and Gordon Sims?
16. Who is Skyler Fishawk?
17. In Beetle Bailey, what is Sarge's last name?
18. In Buck Rogers, who plays the voice of Twiki the robot?
19. Where is Idi Amin?
20. How many months have 28 days?

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The Spirit of '81

by Michael Scharf

"Seniors and Sophomores ... We've got spirit. Yes we do. We've got spirit - How 'bout you?" The first Shaker Heights Red Raider football game ended victoriously with the Raiders beating Chanel 27-14. However, the game was not only a struggle between the powerful football teams, it was also a battle between Shaker's school spirit and that notorious ever-present enemy, apathy.

Shaker's drive for spirit was led by the enthusiastic Junior Class at 11 a.m., the Junior Spirit Committee met in teacher-advisor Mr. Skitski's room for an intensive three hours of poster making. Between the efforts of seven students (Sanford Watson, Michael Scharf, Leslie Henshaw, Leila True, Rob Stupay, Tammy Kamionkowoki, and Marge Williams), fourteen posters were made including ones that said "Junior Spirit", "81 of a kind," and seven posters that spelled the word "SHAKER" when held up together and spelled "RAIDERS" on the flip side.

By 2:00 it was time for opening kickoff and time for the Junior Class to show its spirit. The majority of the juniors present sat grouped at the game, the juniors cheered the Raiders to victory. In fact, by the third quarter, the junior class spirit had spread and even the Sophomores united, waving red and white pom poms. Credit must also be given to this year's cheerleaders (Captain-Julie Boylen, Lori Bloodsaw, Carmella France, Alana Spero, Laura Cooper and Brenda Clark) who have returned with both old favorites and new cheers.

Apathy lost the battle as Shaker spirits rose with the Raiders victory. This may well be the Raiders best year, and if Saturday is an example of things to come, it will definitely be Shakers most spirited year.

"We've got the spirit. We're hot. We can't be stopped!

(Photo by Debbie Urbach)

Pointless Exclamations

by Craig Beresford

The average person, when surprised or upset, will often utter one of many common expletives. A truly creative person, however, will attempt to make these exclamations suit the situation, as in the examples below:

What, no corn? Shucks!
What, no cashews? Nuts!
What, no puppies? Dog-gone!
What, no rifles? Shoot!
What, no mummies? Tut tut!
What, no socks? Darn!
What, no drama? Pshaw!
What, no rodents? Rats!
What, no sheep? Bah!
What, no witch? Curses!
What, no dynamite? Blast!
What, no Brutus? Great Caesar's Ghost!
What, no vowels? Oh!
What, no siblings? Brother!
What, no chocolate? Fudge!
What, no horses? Hey!
What, no nurses? Mercy!
What, no silence? Zounds!
What, no angels? Heavens!
What, no Hindus? Holy Cow!

Trivia Answers

1. Roy Hinckley.
2. Bea Jay, after each of his parents.
3. The Daisy Hill Puppy Farm.
4. The former Shaker Principal for whom the stadium was named.
5. Scout.
6. Orenthal James.
7. The host of Fernwood 2 Night and America 2 Night.
8. Eight, counting the space shuttle.
9. The sun.
10. A high jumping technique.
11. Hans and Fritz.
12. Sunshine Cab.
13. The original commander of the starship Enterprise.
14. Pope John-Paul II.
15. WKRP DJ's Dr. Johnny Fever and Venus Flytrap.
16. The perfesser's nephew in Shoe.
17. Snorkel.
18. Mel Blanc of Bugs Bunny fame.
19. Libya.
20. All on the months have at least 28 days.

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Junior Varsity Teams Improve

The athletic competition at Shaker Heights High is very tough. Shaker is well known for its excellence in many sports including ice hockey, girls' field hockey, tennis, and basketball, to name only a few. Each team is allowed a specific number of players that can be suited up. Therefore, there are two teams for most sports, varsity and junior varsity. The varsity team is made up of the best talent in the school, and is usually senior dominated. The junior varsity team consists of juniors and sophomores or only sophomores. An example is the junior varsity football team which consists of both. It is possible, however, that a senior could play in the JV squad.

The JV football squad opened the season against Chanel and lost a heartbreaker, 12-6. The game was definitely one-sided with the Junior Raiders dominating throughout. Even though they lost the game, they outplayed their opponents on both offense and defense. The offense was led by Ed Morton, who was the leading ground-gainer for the game. The coaches, Carter Strang and Gene Kotmel, were very impressed by their young squad and have an optimistic view of the rest of the season.

The JV soccer team, coached by Mike Bartley, also dropped their opener to Brush 3-1. Coach Bartley thinks he's got good talent and hopes to finish the season a winner.

One might think that junior varsity teams might get second-rate coaches or play fewer games because they are younger, or not as good, or any number of reasons. Well, don't worry, it is not true. JV teams play just as many games as the varsity and work just as hard. Besides, one day, most JV athletes will play varsity, and that's one reason they work hard to. Last year's JV football team worked very hard and finished the season with an 8-1-1 record, which is very impressive. If you don't make the varsity team and have to play JV, don't quit, work hard and you might win a spot on the varsity team.

Explorers Needed

by Rob Stupay

All the major clubs and activities at Shaker have arisen because a large number of students wishing to develop a common hobby or skill came together. There has been one activity that has not yet formed a major club, yet the interest is present: exploring the outdoors. There have only been a few people converging their outdoor interests to form their own club. They are calling themselves the Explorers.

This group goes on weekend outings into the wild, exploring whatever worlds it wishes to seek. In previous years, the outings have included; canoe trips, camping trips, backpacking trips, and ski trips. A unique aspect of this organization is that its members do not have to participate in each activity. Explorers is more or less a come-when-you-can organization. For this reason, the outings are not always weekend long, some of the events last for only part of a day. The outings sometimes come as frequently as once a month, but are sometimes more spread out. To join contact Eric Price, 371-4410 or Rob Stupay, 932-8139. Our advisor is Mr. Nosse.

Sports Schedules

GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL

record: 3-1		
September	4	Kenston - away - W 2-1
	6	Normandy - away - L 1-2
	11	Shaw - away - W 2-1
	13	Garfield - away - W 2-1
	18	Parma - home
	20	Valley Forge - away
	25	Cleveland Hts. - home
	29	Lakewood - away
October	2	Normandy - home
	4	Shaw - home
	6	Lakewood - home
	9	Garfield - home
	11	Parma - away
	16	Valley Forge - home
	18	Cleveland Hts. - away
	24	St. Joseph Acad. - home

GIRLS' TENNIS

record: 4-1		
September	8	Kenston - home - W 4-1
	10	Chagrin Falls - away - L 1-4
	11	Euclid - home - W 4-1
	12	Jackson Memorial - away - W 4-1
	13	Hudson - away - W 5-0
	17	Solon - home
	18	Regina - away
	20	Mentor - home
	24	St. Joseph Acad. - home
	25	Mayfield - away
	27	Brush - home
October	2	West Geauga - home
	4	Cleveland Hts. - home
	5	Lakewood - home
	8	Beachwood - home
	9	Beaumont - away

Senior Class

By Leslie Brown

This year, the Senior Class has not only new government members, but also a new form of government. The former five senior officers have been replaced with two officers, president and treasurer, and a cabinet of 12. This year's officers are: Leslie Brown, president, and Terry Thomas, treasurer. The cabinet members are: Hilary Beard, Bob Brown, Steve Ban, Kathy Capellitti, Lori Jean, Miriam Pickus, Connie Qua, Lisa Rose, Bob Williams and Dave Wipper.

The senior government is presently sponsoring pom-pom sales and concessions at football games, and organizing homecoming. This year's seniors have a lot of new and innovative ideas. If you have any of your own, either contact a member of the cabinet, or drop a note in Mr. Leimsieder's room, number 205.

Tennis Team Aces Opponents

The Girls' Tennis Team, with new head coach Jody Wolf, has high hopes for a successful 1979 season. They have a total of about 20 games. After five matches, they had a record of 4-1.

Jody Wolf, a Shaker graduate, is in her first year as tennis coach. She believes in playing all of the 12 people whom she carries. Except for Wendy Brown, who plays first singles. The other players play in different positions each match. Miss Wolf is optimistic about the girls' chances in their Northeastern Ohio tournament. She feels that they may be able to reach the finals. She has a bright outlook because the team is "young with lots of talent."

Their season began with one scrimmage and five games in seven days. On September 8, they had both a scrimmage and a match. They tied Laurel in the scrimmage 4-4 and beat Kenston 4-1. Kenston was their first opponent in tournement play. The girls then had matches Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Monday the girls lost to Chagrin Falls by a score of 1-4. The next day, Euclid came to Shaker and our netters handed them a 4-1 defeat. Wednesday, the Shaker squad traveled to Jackson Memorial. This was second-round action and our gals responded with a 4-1 victory. Shaker's next victim was Hudson, whom we dealt a decisive 5-0 defeat.

This demanding schedule of three or four matches a week continues throughout the season. The reasons for the abundance of matches are that there are a large number of schools in the Northeast Ohio with tennis teams, and that because of the weather, the season must end in the middle of October. Unfortunately, this leaves very little time for practice.

This year's team is lead by captains Susan Jackson and Cindy Fisher, both seniors. Jody Solomon is the only other senior on the squad. The juniors include Wendy Brown, Cheryl Morgan, Ellen Speer, Cathy Cristal, Amy Glaser, Lynn Rosenthal, and Edie Rogat. The sophomore class is represented by Shelley Dunck, Ruth Landau, Margo Whelan and Barb Berger.

Golfers off to Slow Start

The Shaker Golf Team has gotten off to an embarrassingly weak start this fall. Even though the team's present LEL record is one win and two losses, the Varsity team has lost to three other schools whom they should have defeated. With high-caliber golfers such as David Friedman, Greg Poe, Dean Gonzales, and Steve Miller (among others), there is an obvious defect somewhere on the team. With the resignation of Gar Aikins as coach, and the installation of Don Gacey, the Shaker golf team has a bright future. Now, maybe some well qualified junior varsity players will get a chance on the varsity squad.

Soccer Hurt By Injuries

As the school year begins, so does another soccer season. This year's team is no exception to the fine teams of Shaker's past. The soccer team has a record of 2-1-1 after four games.

This year's team has no sophomores, yet sports many experienced juniors and seniors.

Coach Wiehe feels that this year's team "has not reached its potential and may never do so." Injuries to Roger Shore and Jim Bartlett hurt the team early. Even so, Coach Wiehe states, "We still have 13 or 14 experienced juniors and seniors." The coach also feels that the most outstanding member of the team is Richard Clarke. When asked who he thought his mightiest opponent was going to be, Coach Wiehe said he felt all the teams they are facing early in the season were tough, with the exception of Hawken.

The soccer team is in the eastern division of the Northeastern Ohio Scholastic Soccer League. The captains of this year's team are Milo Payne and Ted Marcoux.

Mr. Wiehe stressed the need for support. He feels that because of the way soccer is played in this area, the teams are not supported as well as they should be. Mr. Wiehe repeated the fact that this year Shaker Heights High School will have a "fine year."

Runners Ready

It appears now that our Re Raider Cross-County Team will have a very good year. This year's squad, one of the biggest in Shaker's history with 23 members, is led by co-captains Chris Byrne and Bradford Giddings. Giddings was not present in the early weeks of practice because he had left to do some altitude training atop the skyscrapers in New York City.

The harriers opened up the 1979 season with a dual meet against Brush. Although the team lost the meet in a very close race (32-25 -- low score wins in CC), there were some bright spots on the team. Coach Rice was pleased that the Varsity Team placed six people in the top 10. However, Bruch took 1st, 2nd, and 3rd; and, in cross-county, it's impossible to lose with that combination.

The runners went to their second meet on September 8 in the Maple Heights Early Bird Relays competing in some very cool weather, yet many personal records were broken. Also, the team came home with several awards for the day. In the open race, the crowd roared as Dan Hochberg and Terrell Richardson came in 12th and 13th respectively, both earning ribbons.

The girls' cross-country team is also gaining a reputation as one of the fastest and best-looking teams around. The runnerettes have yet to lose in dual-meet competition and placed 3rd overall in the Maple Invitational.

The team is led by the trio of Carrie Graham, Lauren Rich (captain) and Suzanne Holman. Ms. Graham (yes pp daughter of famous marathoner and infamous teacher Jerry Graham) has improved tremendously, knocking over two minutes off her best time last year in her very first race. She went on to win the fifth-place trophy at Maple.

All and all, the team is hoping for one of its best seasons ever and hopes to see some school spirit on September 26 at 4:30 when the team has its only home meet of the year at Horseshoe Lake against Parma.

Spikers Look To States

This year's girls volleyball team promises to be the best Shaker has ever had. Since August, the team has been practicing a heavy conditioning program designed for greater endurance and flexibility.

The members of the Varsity Volleyball team are Seniors: Hilary Beard, Ellen McWilliams, Marilyn Olmsted, Leslie Brown and Cecilia Haggard. Juniors: Kathy Swartzbaugh, Sue Tipton, Chris Hill, Mary Lynn Garda, Sandy Lee, and Naomi Hollander. Sophomores: Kris Roselli, Laura Tomlinson, Laura Cubberly, and Ann Reading.

The members of the Junior Varsity team are: Renee Holland, Eve Israel, Yvonne Price, Suzy Zilbur, Karyn Evans, Elaine Jacobs, Tori Boyd, Morgan Sheerer, Sue Berger, Jodi Caldwell, Lisa Bodbold, Diane Szellner, Hilary Byrnem, Betsy White, Karen Siegel, and Ruth Sharp.

The Philosophy of Lucille Burkett, the team's coach, is that the most rewarding part of volleyball is feeling good about the performance at the end of a match. If the players commit themselves to the team and do their best, everyone feels good about the performance whether they win or lose. If they lose they'll just give everything they've got and try to win the next time. Miss Burkett feels that the team's progress depends upon its attitude.

So far the volleyball team has had four matches. Of these, they have won three and lost one close match to Normandy.

In the opinion of Miss Burkett and many of the players, this year's team has a very good chance of winning the state tournament. They have the skill, the spirit, and the experience to go all the way.

Football team Sparkles in Opener

A 27-14 victory over Chanel High School kicked off Shaker High School's football season September 8 at Russell Rupp Stadium. The Red Raiders orchestrated a brilliant come-from-behind victory after trailing 14-7 at halftime.

The Shaker victory was sparked by a 170-yard rushing performance by senior halfback Terry Thomas. Included in that total is a 63-yard touchdown dash which changed the momentum of the game toward Shaker's favor and landed Thomas on the Plain Dealer Dream Team and the Pre-star team.

In the sluggish first half, Shaker was held to under 100 yards in total offense. Senior running back Melvin Ware of Chanel racked up 108 yards on the ground and scored twice on runs of 38 and five yards respectively in the first half. Chanel controlled the ball for the greater part of the first two periods. Shaker managed to get on the scoreboard with the first of Thomas' three touchdowns on a ten-yard run in the first period.

Shaker coach Al Raymond apparently found the right words between the halves because in the third period his Red Raiders looked like a new team. Raymond said that the team decided to "Take pride in itself" and the team members made that pride evident by excellent penetration on defense and crisp blocking on offense. The third period was scoreless, but Terry Thomas took the ball across the goal line early in the last period on a one-yard run. Senior fullback Todd Carmichael put the Red Raiders on top with a five-yard jaunt into the end zone. The icing on the cake came less than two minutes later as Thomas broke through the Firebird defense and ended up 63 yards downfield in the end zone.

Thomas and Carmichael are joined in the Shaker backfield by sophomore halfback James Poore and senior quarterback Mike Berg. Marred by only one interception and two incomplete passes, Berg executed an excellent short passing game totaling 30 yards. Senior Bob Williams, whom the Raiders had counted on as starting quarterback this season, remained on the sidelines with a serious knee injury.

Shaker's kicking game was impressive in the opening victory led by Mike Berg who tripled as punter, safety, and quarterback. Berg averaged over 40 yards per punt during the game, consistantly keeping Chanel out of Shaker territory. Sophomore Rob Harris was the surprise of the day with his booming kickoffs which often landed in the end zone and his pinpoint extra points which spread the goal post twice in two attempts. Harris' performance brought back memories of Doug Bercu; however, this young kicker has a much stronger leg and appears to be more consistant.

A great deal of credit for the Thomas' sterling rushing performance should be given to the offensive line which executed extremely well on trap and pull plays and made essential downfield blocks. Especially effective were the quick off-tackle traps which sprung Terry Thomas on two of his touchdown runs. The offensive line is anchored by senior Orlando Lowry, who is starting for his third year at tackle. At the other tackle spot is junior Mike Weingarten who beat out several returning lettermen for the spot. The two quick guards are seniors Danny White and Joe Bordonaro. Completing the line are ends senior Kendall Ivy, and junior James Tait, as well as senior center Blake Martin.

Many of the offensive starters also made important contributions on the defensive side of the field against Chanel. These included Danny White and Mike Weingarten at defensive tackle. At defensive end is All-Scholastic Shaker Captain Orlando Lowry who at 6-4 and 225 pounds is an imposing figure on the field, and whose quickness makes him a college recruiter's dream. Opposite Lowry is senior Allen Tomlinson who attended aggressiveness school over the summer and came on like an animal to win the starting end spot. Senior Craig Fitzpatrick set at middle guard. In the defensive backfield, more two-way players can be found. These include Joe Bordonaro, a middle linebacker, and Blake Martin at outside linebacker. Martin made a key interception early in the game. Joining the two seniors at linebacker is junior Donald Stiggers. Another two-way player in the defensive lineup is safety Mike Berg, who is joined by senior halfback Ken Fritz and junior halfback Scott Whilley.

The leading tackler in the Chanel game was Joe Bordonaro who racked up seven from his middle linebacker spot. Al Tomlinson added six as did his counterpart Orlando Lowry. Danny White aided the Shaker attack by bringing down five men. The key to the defensive attack in the second half was the penetration on the line which caught Chanel's fleetfooted Melvin Ware before he could get started. Ware was stopped for a loss three times in the second half and was able to gain only a total of 19 yards in the last two periods.

Darryl Wilson tackles Chanel player in opener. (Photo by Debbie Urbach.)

GIRLS' FIELD HOCKEY

September
18 Woodridge - away
25 Laurel - home
27 Andrews - away
October
4 Madison - home
6 Hawken - away
9 Hudson - away
11 Hathaway Brown - away
16 Kirtland - away
18 Kent Roosevelt - home
20 Sectionals - away
22 Cleveland Hts. - home
24 Western Reserve Acad. - away
27 Invitational or States - away

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